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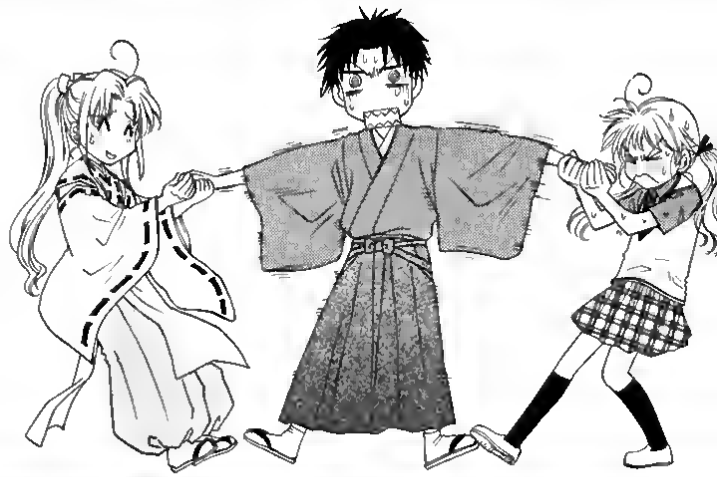

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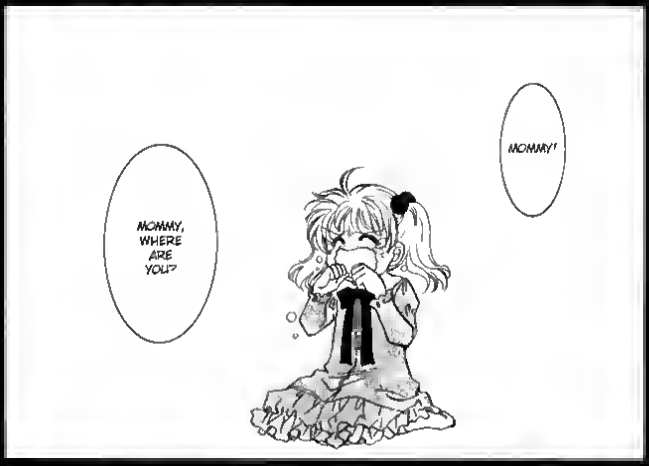
Twentieth Binding

IN ORDER TO KEEP YOU, I HAD TO HIDE YOU
THAT IS THE BASKET OF QUIET MEMORIES.
THE SLEEPING COCOON
SO YOU CAN'T WAKE UP
BECAUSE ONCE YOU LEAVE THE COCOON,
DESTRUCTION WILL BEGIN

I WAS...
THE SACRIFICE?
WHAT'S THIS... GOING ON, AKEO-SAN?
...
I DON'T
REMEMBER THIS.
Ah!

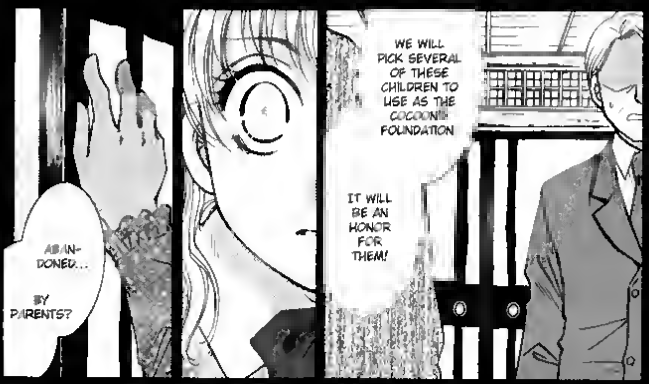

MOMMY!
MOMMY, WHERE ARE YOU?

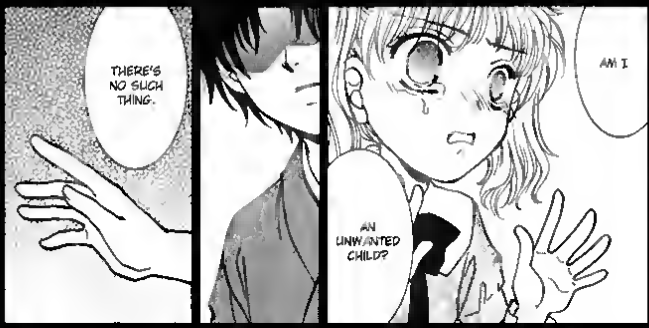
ADULTS ONLY TELL LIES
ALL THE CHILDREN HERE
WERE FOOLED BY HIM.

HUH?
WHY NOT?
UNCLE SAID HE'D LET ME SEE MY MOMMY!
HUH?

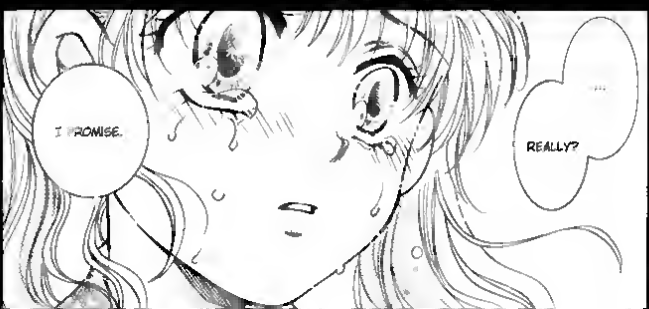
NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU CRY, SHE WON'T COME BACK FOR YOU!
.....
!

LOOK!
IS IT REALLY OK TO BRING ALL OF THE CHILDREN HERE?
THEY WERE NOT KIDNAPPED
WE BROUGHT THEM FOR A CHEAP PRICE FROM AN ORPHANAGE.
CHILDREN WITHOUT PARENTS
AND CHILDREN WHO WERE ABANDONED
DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE MONEY TO FEED THEMSELVES.
THEY ARE NOT NEEDED IN THIS WORLD.

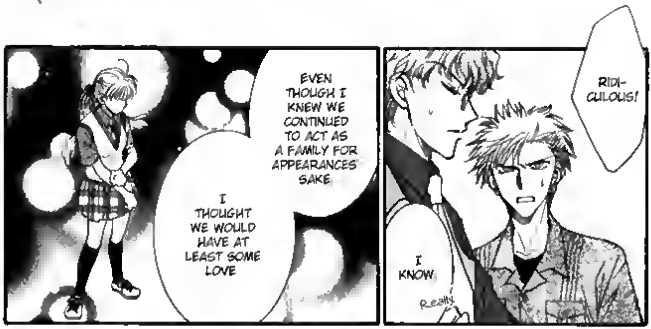

WE WILL PICK SEVERAL OF THESE CHILDREN TO USE AS THE COCOON'S FOUNDATION
IT WILL BE AN HONOR FOR THEM!
ABANDONED...
BY PARENTS?

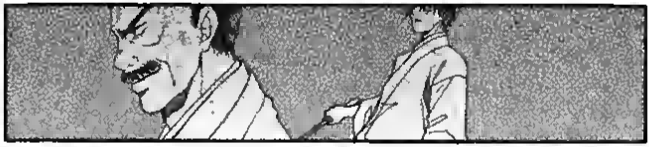

THERE'S NO SUCH THING.
AM I AN UNWANTED CHILD?

IN THIS WORLD,
THERE MUST BE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS YOU


I PROMISE.
REALLY?

EVER SINCE MOTHER LEFT THE HOUSE
I WAS TAKEN TO A PLACE THAT LOOKS LIKE AN ORPHANAGE
I DIDN'T THINK THAT FATHER
SO—
I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT WOMAN'S CHILD ANYMORE!
DIDN'T WANT ME.
I— REMEMBER NOW!


EVEN THOUGH I KNEW WE CONTINUED TO ACT AS A FAMILY FOR APPEARANCES' SAKE
I THOUGHT WE WOULD HAVE AT LEAST SOME LOVE
RIDI-CULOUS!
I KNOW.
Really



I NEVER THOUGHT THAT
EVERYONE SAW ME AS UNNECESSARY

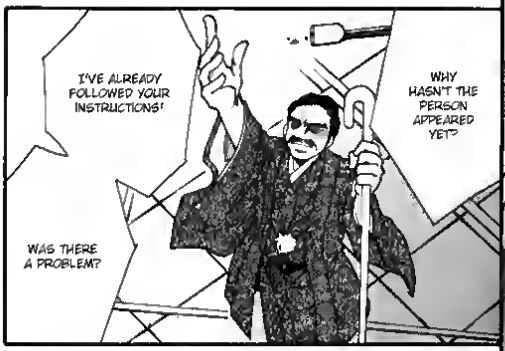
It's not like that!
NEVER THOUGHT THAT—
Chiko!

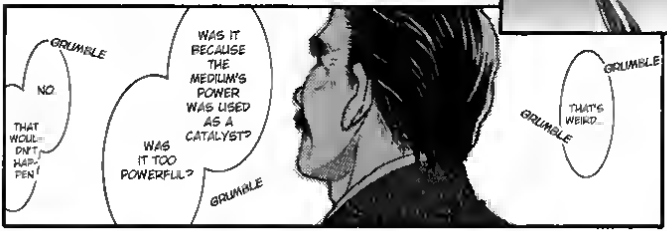
I SAID THOSE WORDS
NEVER MIND
SORRY!
Bump
IN THE BEGINNING
BY THAT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN
SHIHAN
COULD IT BE JUST AS YAE SAID?
AKEO INJURED YOU ON PURPOSE
BECAUSE HE DOESN'T WANT TO DO ANYTHING WITH YOU
YOU DID THAT
TO PROTECT ME
THAT'S WHY YOU ACTED LIKE THAT, RIGHT?

SHAKE
SHAKE SHAKE
WHA—
IT SURE KNOWS WHEN TO PICK THE RIGHT TIME
NO!
THE COCOON IS STARTING AGAIN
AS IF IT'S
CALLING FOR CHIKO.

What's going on?!
Explain this to me, right now!
Osa-kabe!
Why are there children inside the cocoon?
Why would you—
!
"KNOW ABOUT THE COCOON?"
RIGHT?

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
CHILDREN'S WHISPERS CAN NORMALLY BE HEARD BY OTHERS
BUT
THANKS TO YOU GUYS
YOUR IGNORANCE UNSEALED THE COCOON BY THE FIVE-COLORED STRING
NOW, WE ONLY HAVE TO USE FIVE CLEAN SOULS FOR THE COCOON
THEN THE PERSON IN THE COCOON CAN FINALLY APPEAR IN THIS WORLD


I'VE ALREADY FOLLOWED YOUR INSTRUCTIONS!
WHY HASN'T THE PERSON APPEARED YET?
WAS THERE A PROBLEM?
THAT WAS THE ORIGINAL PLAN


GRUMBLE
NO
THAT WOULDN'T HAPPEN
WAS IT BECAUSE THE MEDIUM'S POWER WAS USED AS A CATALYST?
WAS IT TOO POWERFUL?
GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE
THAT'S WEIRD...
GRUMBLE

Fwoosh
Swoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
!

DON'T WORRY!
SHE'LL BE FINE!

MEDIUM? YOU DON'T MEAN
NADESHIKO-SAMA?
Huff

IT FEELS AS IF IT HAS NOWHERE TO GO
SO IT'S RESISTING
OR AS IF IT IS CRYING IN ITS RAGE
AAAH!
PLEASE FORGIVE ME!
I'LL FIND ANOTHER WAY.
Stagger
COULD WE HAVE FAILED?
SOMETHING INSIDE THE COCOON IS GOING CRAZY
!

THAT CHILD
IS ALIVE!
SO THAT'S WHY
!
FIVE CHILDREN ARE NEEDED FOR THE REVIVAL
SINCE ONE IS STILL ALIVE,
THE CEREMONY COULD NOT BE COMPLETED
SO THIS IS THE PROBLEM

WHACK
THEN—
?!
whoosh

CRASH
WHY ARE YOU STOPPING ME?
I HAVE TO DO THIS! HOW CAN I LET—
I CAN'T LET YOU KEEP DOING INHUMANE ACTIONS!

YAE WILL BECOME BALANCED, RIGHT?
WHAT?!
BY WAKING UP THAT PERSON, WE CAN OBTAIN UNLIMITED KNOWLEDGE.
THE MEANING OF YIN AND YANG, THE WHOLE OF CREATION AND THE TRUTH OF THE WORLD
WE MAY BE ABLE TO SAVE YAE BY UNDERSTANDING THEM.
SHUT UP!
YOU KNEW UNSEALING THE FIVE-COLORED STRING WOULD HURT OTHER PEOPLE!
YET YOU STILL INSIST THAT YOU WEREN'T USING US
IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO TIES TO THEM...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

BUT YOU GUYS WON OVER THE FIVE-COLORED STRING!
SAME AS YAE
NOT MUCH OF A CHOICE, AM I RIGHT?
YOU TRIED SO HARD TO PROTECT HER.
I'M SURE YOU DON'T WANT HER TO DIE FROM SICKNESS.
THE LIFE OF THE WOMAN YOU LOVE,
OR THE LIVES OF UNRELATED CHILDREN

Run Run Run
pull
NOU-MA-KU-SAI-MAN-DA
BA-ZA-RA-DAN-KAN!
Ha!
SHINE
CRACKLE
Ah!

I WILL NOT LET YOU KILL THOSE INNOCENT CHILDREN!
WHAT NONSENSE!
Yae!
Clench
Argh!
SLIDE
Argh!
GRAB
Kan-chan!
You!
Don't force it!
Just leave, for me!
Huff
Let go of me! You bastard!
Smirk

GRAB
Ahr
Yae!
Pinch
CLENCH
Yae!

HAHA!
SHE AND THE CHILDREN CAN BE THE SACRIFICES FOR THE COCOON!
WHOOSH
AH!
Fweesh
Fweesh
Fweesh
SFX ROAR
MY NORMAL TECHNIQUES,
WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON IT
THE IMPURE AURA
KEEPS SPREADING
NORMAL...
Transcendence

AWAKEN FROM YOUR THOUSAND YEAR SLUMBER,
FIRE STRING!
Spirit
COME AND DESTROY THOSE WHO STAND IN YOUR WAY!
Clench
RUMBLE
Kouren!

SCREECH
Swoosh
Swoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
Zhhh
I'll save you!
Yae!
Ak...
EO...
Drag
SURROUND

I KNOW!
FIRST THE CHILD
Clench
Pang
Escape
reach
I will not let you
escape ...
reach
reach

CRACKLE
THAT'S THE BODY?!
Shudder
WHAT!
FWOOSH
?!
AKEO!
YAE!
!

ROTATE
SHIRO-GANE...
Light
AH!
DON'T BE AFRAID.
WE CAN'T GIVE UP NOW!
THE PIERCING STEEL THREADS
WITH INDESTRUCTIBLE FURENESS,
WHOOSH
LET ME BIND WITH YOU!
Glare

WHOOSH

!
Pull

JU
MP
AKEO!
TAKE CARE OF THAT CHILD!

whoosh
fwoosh
whoosh
fwoosh
fwoosh

AKEO
I...
YAE!
...

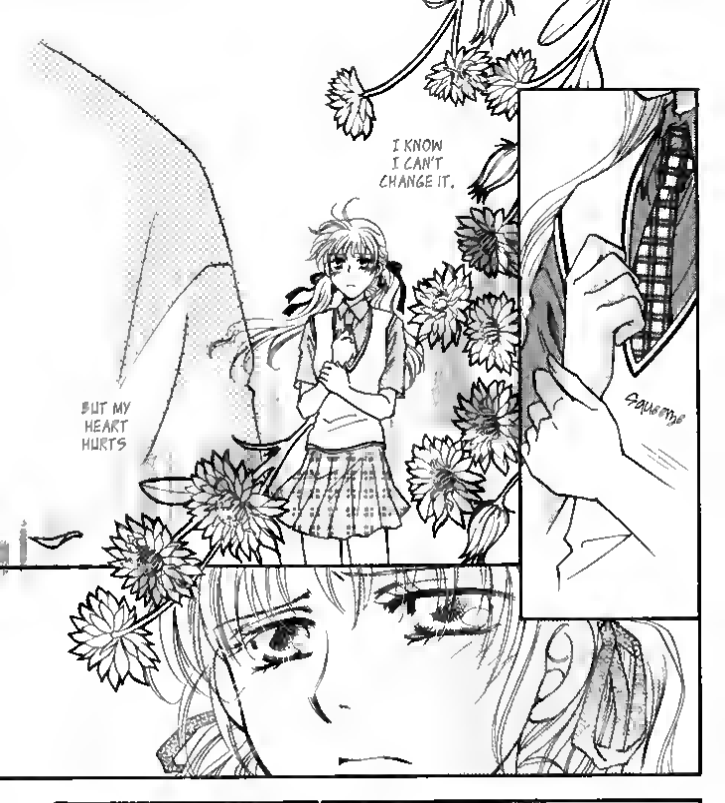
FWOOM
Bang
DING
DING
DING

Fwoosh
Swoosh
Swoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
Fwoosh
THAT'S WHY

Y...
YAE!
AE?

THE KOUREN WAS OUT OF CONTROL.
IT ALSO BURNED THE WHOLE PLACE
ONLY
THE COCOON SURVIVED, AND IT'S STILL IN THERE PEACE-FULLY.
SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED
SIS-TER...
WHY?
WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME THE TRUTH BEFORE?
IF EVERYONE KNEW IT WAS OSAKABE S PLAN ALL ALONG, THEY WOULDN'T--

CHIKO WAS INVOLVED BECAUSE OF MY STUPIDITY
YAE'S DEATH WAS ALSO BECAUSE OF MY DESIRE
I WAS THE ONE WHO FOUND THE COCOON
I WAS ALSO THE ONE WHO WAS USED BY OSAKABE
ANI-SAN...
ALL OF THESE
ARE MY SINS
SHIHAN
SHIHAN...


I KNOW I CAN'T CHANGE IT.
BUT MY HEART HURTS
SQUEEZE

AH!
SHIHAN!
YAE-SAN—
MY VOICE
WON'T BE HEARD BY AKEO, NO MATTER WHAT

IF...
AH...
I'M ABOUT TO SAY...
Thump
WHAT ABOUT YAE?
SHIHAN KNOWS THAT SHE'S SHIROGANE AND IS ALSO BY MY SIDE.
HOW WOULD HE REACT?
CLENCH
?

WHAT ABOUT THE BOY?
IT'S SOMETHING ANE-SAN WOULD DO.
EH?
AH!
SO THAT'S WHY YAE-SAN SAVED ME?
I'D ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT HE WAS THE ONE WHO SAVED ME
WHO IS HE?
EXCUSE ME
THE FOUR OTHER CHILDREN
PERHAPS ONE OF THE SACRIFICES?
THAT MUST BE IT!

THERE MUST BE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS YOU
AH! LIKE THOSE WEIRD STATUES?
THEY DON'T HAVE PARENTS,
SO THEY WERE TAKEN FOR THE COCOON
SO... THAT CHILD DIED.
THEY WERE ALL DEAD?

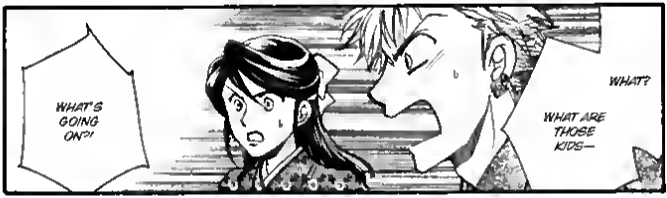
I SEE

I HAD WANTED TO MEET HIM AGAIN.
I EVEN THOUGH MY MEMORY IS VAGUE...

WANT TO SEE HIM?
Whirl
WELL, YOU WANT TO SEE HIM, RIGHT?
Hmm?
IF YOU WANT TO SEE HIM,
WHO.
WHERE DID SHE COME FROM?!
I DIDN'T SENSE HER AT ALL

CREEP
GR
YOU HAVE TO COME TO US!
AB
CHIKO!
SHI
Cink
Cink
Cink
AH!

Sink


WHAT'S GOING ON?!
WHAT?
WHAT ARE THOSE KIDS—

IT SEEMS THE COCOON STILL WANTS CHIKO-SAN
THOSE CHILDREN ARE ALREADY A PART OF IT.
IT'S THE COCOON.

IT WANTS TO OBTAIN THE LAST PART
NEEDED TO AWAKEN THAT PERSON!
NADE-SHIKO,
UNSEAL THE PHASE BARRIER QUICKLY!

ANI-SAN
HURRY UP!
IF I DO THAT,
THE COCOON WILL DEFINITELY AWAKEN!
NINE YEARS AGO,
MY WEAKNESS CAUSED THIS TO HAPPEN
THIS TIME...
BUT
(((NG)))
WHOOSH

I WON'T LOSE!

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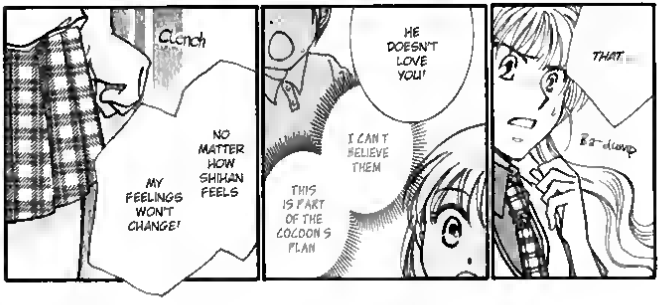
AAAA
HHHHH
HHHHH!
Ah!
Ah!
Ah!
Ah!
Ahhh!
t-let go of me!
let go of me right now!
Struggle
I have to return to Shihan!
YOU WANT TO GO BACK?
Shock

WE'RE THE ONES WHO C'AN'T GO BACK.
BECAUSE WE ARE ABANDONED ORPHANS.
ISN'T CHIKO THE SAME?
I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT WOMAN'S CHILD!
THAT GUY
SAID HE DIDN'T WANT YOU.
THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU!
DID HE SAY THAT
BECAUSE HE WANTED TO PROTECT ME?!
NO.

HE SAID THAT BECAUSE OF YAE
BA-DUMP
WHAT...

HE PROTECTED YOU BEFORE BECAUSE YOU WERE THE CHILD THAT YAE SAVED
RIGHT?
HE TRULY ONLY LOVES YAE!

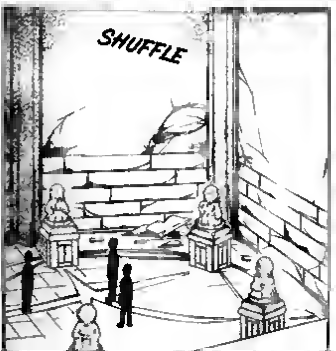

Clench
NO MATTER HOW SHIHAN FEELS
MY FEELINGS WON'T CHANGE!
HE DOESN'T LOVE YOU!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THEM
THIS IS PART OF THE COCOON'S PLAN
THAT...
Ba-dump

REALLY?
THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL HIM ABOUT YAE?
TH-THAT'S BECAUSE...
BECAUSE IF HE KNOWS YAE IS ACTUALLY STILL WITH HIM,
HE'LL CHOOSE HER, RIGHT?
SO THEN,
YOU'LL BE ABANDONED, RIGHT?
STOP... STOP IT.
NO ONE NEEDS YOU.
STOP IT!

BUT I KNOW YOU
YOU...
WHO ARE YOU...

Bzz
YOU REALLY
WANT TO UNSEAL THE PHRASE BARRIER?

SFX CREEEEEAK



IT SEEMS THE SPELL IS BEING UNDONE
Whoosh
NOW IT'S MY TURN
SFX WHOOSH
SEIRAN
THU
NK
Murmur
THROB
THEY'RE LEAVING

PISSED OFF
HEY, TSUNA!
HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO STAY MAD?
A FEW MINUTES BEFORE
I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY FIRST.
THE COCOON'S PHRASE BARRIER
TOOK ME A LONG TIME TO CREATE.
SO REMOVING THE CURSE REQUIRES A COMPLICATED PROCEDURE.
WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT!
EVEN THOUGH WE CAN REMOVE THE CURSE,
IT'S A DANGEROUS GAMBLE

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
ORIGINALLY, TWO CURSES WERE PLACED ON THE PHASE BARRIER TO WARD OFF EVIL
IN ORDER TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM USING THE COCOON FOR THEIR OWN PURPOSES,
THE SECOND CURSE WILL BEGIN WHEN THE FIRST ONE IS REMOVED
ANOTHER CURSE?
ONCE THE SECOND CURSE BEGINS
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO STOP IT
IT CAN ALSO DESTROY THE ENTIRE LITTLE PALACE.
THE CURSE OF ANNIHILA-TION

ANNI...
...HILATION?!
DID YOU CREATE THIS TRAP TO USE IT AGAINST ME DURING A CRISIS?
NO NO!
WHY WOULD I BRING YOU HERE IF I'M COMPLETELY DEFENSE-LESS?
Hoho! Hoho!
WHAT ANNOYING SIBLINGS
SFX: RUMBLING
SO WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW?

IT TAKES A WHILE FOR THE SPELL TO BE UNDONE
SO AFTER REMOVING THE BARRIER,
WE HAVE TO RESCUE CHIKO BEFORE THE LITTLE PALACE IS DESTROYED
LIKE I SAID BEFORE THIS IS A GAMBLE!

I'LL GO WITH YOU!
I HAVE TO AVENGE MY SISTER!

TURN
I'LL DEAL WITH THE COCOON
YOU GUYS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR RESCUING CHIKO.
THEN FIND A WAY TO ESCAPE

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
YOU GUYS ARE NOT USEFUL AT ALL RIGHT NOW!
THAT...

DO YOU HAVE A SOLUTION TO DEFEAT THE COCOON?

ALSO, WHAT YOU DID TO CHIKO...
DIDN'T ONLY AFFECT HER!
TSUNA...
YOU ALREADY BETRAYED US...
BUT YOU WANT US TO TRUST YOU NOW?
ARE YOU KIDDING?!
I TRUSTED YOU BEFORE!
THIS PROVES THAT
YOU DON'T TRUST US!
AND YOU DO EVERYTHING ON YOUR OWN!
BUT YOU DON'T DISCUSS ANYTHING WITH US,
I RESPECT YOU AND SEE YOU AS MY BROTHER.

If you want us to trust you,
you should at least trust us!
I WAS RIGHT, YOU DON'T TRUST ANYONE.

YOU'RE
SUCH A NICE GUY!
AND HAVE A STRONG WILL
YOU'RE STRAIGHT-FORWARD, CARING,

DON'T WALK THE WRONG PATH LIKE I DID.
YOU HAVE TO STAY LIKE THAT!
TH
UD
SEX-FLUSTERED
Are you teasing me?!
Huh?
WH
AAAAT?
TEA-SING?
What?
I was commen-menting you.
BECAUSE YOU EXPRESSED IN A STRAIGHT-FORWARD MANNER,
THAT'S WHY

I
IF YOU MESS THIS UP AGAIN,
I WILL DEFINITELY KICK YOU FROM THE BACK!
I STILL HAVEN'T DECIDED IF I WANT TO TRUST YOU YET
ARGH!
BOOM
So you were just surprised?
I understand your pain.
I'M SO MAD!
I'm so embarrassed!

I CAN BELIEVE THE REMOVAL OF THE SEAL
Run
Run
Run
CAUSED SO MANY EVIL SPIRITS TO APPEAR
BUT...
THIS IS DEFINITELY NOT A SITUATION WE CAN HANDLE
grab
HOW ARE THERE SO MANY EVIL SPIRITS ROAMING AROUND?!
THE LITTLE PALACE IS SUPPOSED TO BE A SANCTUARY
SWISH
HURRY UP, YOU TWO!
SFX CRACKLE

THE PLACE BARRIER REMOVAL PROCESS IS COMPLETE
SIGH
THE COCOON'S PHYSICAL BODY SHOULD APPEAR AT THE BRIDGE
YOU SHOULD GO NOW
I'LL JUST BE A BURDEN IF I GO WITH YOU.
SO I'LL REST HERE INSTEAD
BUT THIS PLACE IS ABOUT TO...
SPA HOWL

CRACKLE
Ahh
Slump
SEX ROAR
DON'T LOOK DOWN ON ME!
EVEN THOUGH MY FEET ARE USELESS,
I CAN STILL USE MY POWERS TO ESCAPE
I...
SORRY
Sigh

IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT TO AVENGE YAE
I KNOW.
THE "HEAD" IS A DIFFICULT ROLE,
BECAUSE ALL THE BURDENS ARE LEFT TO YOU
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING
BROTHER...

IT'S REALLY HIM—
IT'S THAT CHILD

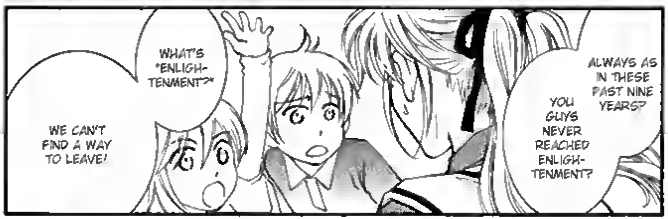
i missed you so much!
Shriek
FLAP

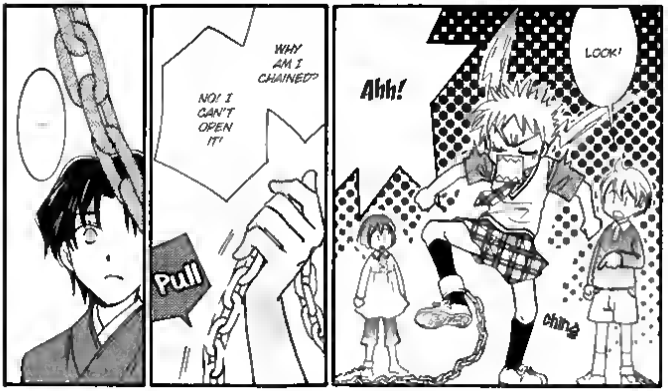
IT'S OKAY
jumps back
ER SORRY! I COULDN'T HELP IT

HE LOOKS LIKE SHIHAN
COME TO THINK OF IT

I HAD SO MUCH TO SAY TO HIM BEFORE,
BUT I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START NOW THAT HE'S HERE

HUH?
Whoosh
WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN WAITING FOR YOU.


WE CAN'T FIND A WAY TO LEAVE!
WHAT'S "ENLIGHTENMENT?"
YOU GUYS NEVER REACHED ENLIGHTENMENT?
ALWAYS AS IN THESE PAST NINE YEARS?

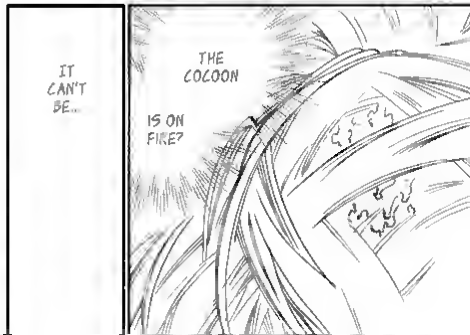

...
NO! I CAN'T OPEN IT!
WHY AM I CHAINED?
Pull!
LOOK!
Ahh!
Ohh

THE CHAIN IS CONNECTED TO THAT
!
WHAT?
THE COCOON'S BODY?
SO YOU'RE SAYING THESE CHAINS ARE ALSO THE THREADS OF FATE?
THIS PLACE IS DARK AND COLD.
I REALLY HATE IT!
BUT WE'LL BE OKAY SINCE CHIKO IS HERE!
?!

THE MASTER IN THE COCOON CAN FINALLY APPEAR IN THIS WORLD!
IT IS SAID THAT AFTER THE FIVE OF US ARE GATHERED, THE COCOON WILL AWAKEN!
HEY
DO YOU MEAN.
BA-THUMP
NO!
BA-THUMP
I CAN'T LET THE COCOON AWAKEN!

SHIHAN AND THE OTHERS!

BOOM
?!


IT CAN'T BE...
THE COCOON IS ON FIRE?

WE ONLY DESTROYED THE SILK SURROUNDING THE COCOON.
IT'S STILL TOO EARLY.
DID WE DO IT?
IT'S COMING.
Fshhhhhh

CHIKO!
THEY CAME TO RESCUE ME!
THIS IS GREAT!
WE CAN LEAVE!
?!
WHO IS THAT?

HE LOOKS
LIKE AKEO
IT CAN'T BE...

CAN'T YOU JOKE WHEN THE SITUATION IS APPROPRIATE?!
SERIOUSLY— YOU HAVE NO SENSE OF HUMOR.
That's not funny at all!
Why is he so mad?
Could there be another reason?

Akeo's secret child!
BOOM
How is that possible?!

IT'S THIS CHILD, RIGHT?
I can tell just by looking.
CHIKO'S PRINCE CHARMING!
THE CHILDREN AREN'T BAD AT ALL!
THEY WERE CAPTURED BY THE COCOON
CHIKO, LEAVE THAT CHILD!
WE DON'T HAVE ANY TIME LEFT.
LOOK
JUST LIKE THAT TIME WITH WAKANA-CHAN,
I WANT TO PURIFY THEM!

WHAT IS THAT?
THAT IS THE

CURSE OF ANNIHILATION
AFTER IT IS COMPLETE, THE LITTLE PALACE WILL BE DESTROYED
WHAT?!
IT'S SAD TO SAY BUT WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO SAVE THOSE CHILDREN.

NO
IT CAN'T BE
LOOK!
THIS CHAIN IS CONNECTED TO THE COCOON!
!
I ORIGI-NALLY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THESE CHILDREN
SHIHAN...
IF YE-SAN AND SHIHAN DIDN'T SAVE ME,
I WOULD HAVE BEEN DEAD NINE YEARS AGO.
HE ONLY PROTECTED YOU

Ba-thump
BECAUSE OF YAE!

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
BECAUSE I WAS THE CHILD YAE-SAN SAVED RIGHT?
YOU ONLY PROTECTED ME
WHE-THER IT WAS THE PAST OR RIGHT NOW

I AM THE CHILD WHO
YAE-SAN SACRIFICED HER LIFE TO SAVE RIGHT?
THAT'S WHY YOU WANT TO PROTECT ME, RIGHT?
SO I AM STILL A CHILD
THAT NO ONE WANTS?
WHAT YOU SAID

Akeo!
You shouldn't admit it.. even if you have to lie in this situation!
THROB
IS TRUE

IF
THAT WAS MY ANSWER
YOU'D STAY IN THE COCOON, RIGHT?

IF YOU REALLY WANT TO STAY THERE,
I HAVE NO RIGHT TO STOP YOU
BUT
IF YOU'RE ONLY IN THERE BECAUSE YOU CAN'T LEAVE,
THEN I'LL DO ANYTHING TO GET YOU OUT!
SHIHAN.

THE COCOON CAN READ PEOPLE VERY WELL.
IT ATTACKS BY USING THE PERSON'S WEAKNESSES.
I WALKED THE WRONG PATH BECAUSE I WAS CONTROLLED BY HIM.
BUT YOU'RE DIFFERENT!
YOU AREN'T BLIND TO THE FATE OF THE PAST.
SO EVEN THOUGH THE CHAIN IS HEAVY,
I BELIEVE IT WON'T STOP YOU FROM MOVING FORWARD!

I HAVE
CONFIDENCE IN YOU!

YOU'RE FINALLY BACK!
Rub
Rub

EXCUSE ME...
WHAT YOU ARE DOING, TSUNA?
Don't kill the mood!
IT'S NOT THAT I HAVE A QUESTION
WHY ARE YOU USING SUCH A OFF-PUTTING TONE?
INCLUDING CHIKO THERE WERE SUPPOSED TO BE FIVE CHILDREN FOR THE CEREMONY RIGHT?
WHY ARE YOU ASKING THIS NOW?
WHY...
ARE THERE FIVE CHILDREN IN THE COCOON?
PI

1...
2...
3...
4...
THERE IS AN EXTRA ONE!
HA...
IT WAS MY MI-STAKE...
WHAT? I THOUGHT EVERYONE NOTICED!
Stupid Tsuna! Why didn't you mention this earlier?!
WHY BLAME ME?
I'm SORRY

I FORGOT TO DESTROY ONE!
AHHH!
CRA
CKLE
Fshhh
?!
YOU FINALLY SHOW YOUR TRUE SELF.
...

TSK
THIS IS BORING!
EVERYTHING WAS GOING ACCORDING TO PLAN.
WHAT?
IT WAS...
WHAT IS THIS?
THIS CHILD WHO SAVED ME BEFORE-
ADULTS ALWAYS LIKE TO DISRUPT THINGS...
NO MATTER IF IT W/S NINE YEARS AGO OR NOW.
THIS...

REALLY MAKES ME MAD!
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
End

WHY?
ADULTS ALWAYS...
LIKE TO STOP ME!
HE'S THE ONE WHO LIED TO SHIHAN AND TOOK YAE'S LIFE THE CULPRIT BEHIND ALL THESE EVENTS?!
THIS CHILD IS THE MASTER OF THE COCOON?

THIS IS REALLY MAKING ME ANGRY!!!
THE COCOON'S BODY?!
ROAR
縛りの弐拾弐

WHOOSH
SFX. SNAP
DODGE!
BANG
AH!
?!
BANG
SFX. BAM
AH!
TSUNA!

LOOMING
WHAT'S THAT...?
COMPARED TO THE OTHER SPIRITS, HIS POWERS ARE REALLY DIFFERENT
AR GH!
SFX: FWOOSH

YOU ALSO SAID THAT THERE'D BE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS ME... AND TOLD ME NOT TO GIVE UP
NINE YEARS AGO,
YOU WERE THE KIND TO SAVE,
ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT ME
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?

I SAID THOSE WORDS?
I DID SAY "SOMEONE NEEDS YOU". THAT'S TRUE.
BECAUSE...
YOU'LL BE PART OF ME SOON.
Tremble
Pull
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE AFRAID
YOU'RE JUST GOING BACK TO THE PLACE WHERE YOU BELONG.

THE PERSON WHO'S GOING BACK TO THE PLACE WHERE THEY BELONG
IS you!!!

SFX: FWOOSH

THE KOU-REN... WAS REFLEC-TED?

THE FIVE-COLORED STRING...
HAS NO EFFECT ON ME!!!
SFX: BOOM
ARGH!
Woosh
Tsk!
step
SHI-HAN!
THUD

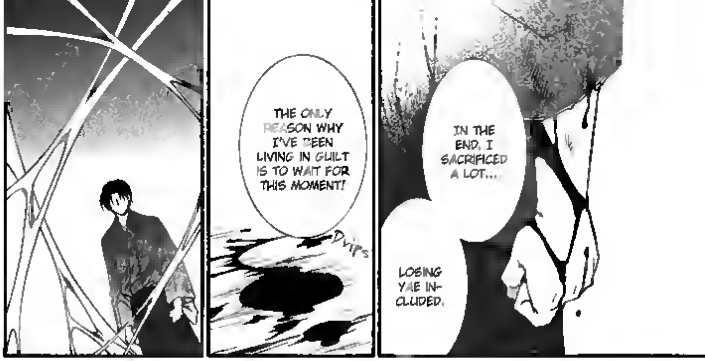
SFX: BAM BAM BAM
WHAT...
EVERYONE'S HERE...
YET WE CAN'T USE ANY ATTACKS...
WHAT'S..
WHAT'S GOING ON?

YOU GUYS ARE CONSIDERED THE USERS OF THE FIVE-COLORED STRING? HOW PATHETIC!
HA HA HA!
IF YOU AGREE TO RETURN TO BE WITH ME,
I'LL LET THEM GO
WHAT...?
CHIKO!
LET'S MAKE A DEAL!
!

IF WE DON'T LEAVE SOON,
THE LITTLE PALACE WILL BE DESTROYED, RIGHT?
NOT THAT I REALLY MIND-
THE CURSE OF ANNIHILATION
IS ALMOST COMPLETE.
WOOSH
THE REST IS UP TO YOU!
DON'T YOU WANT TO SAVE THEM?

DON'T LISTEN TO HIM!
THIS GUY...
LET ME HANDLE HIM!

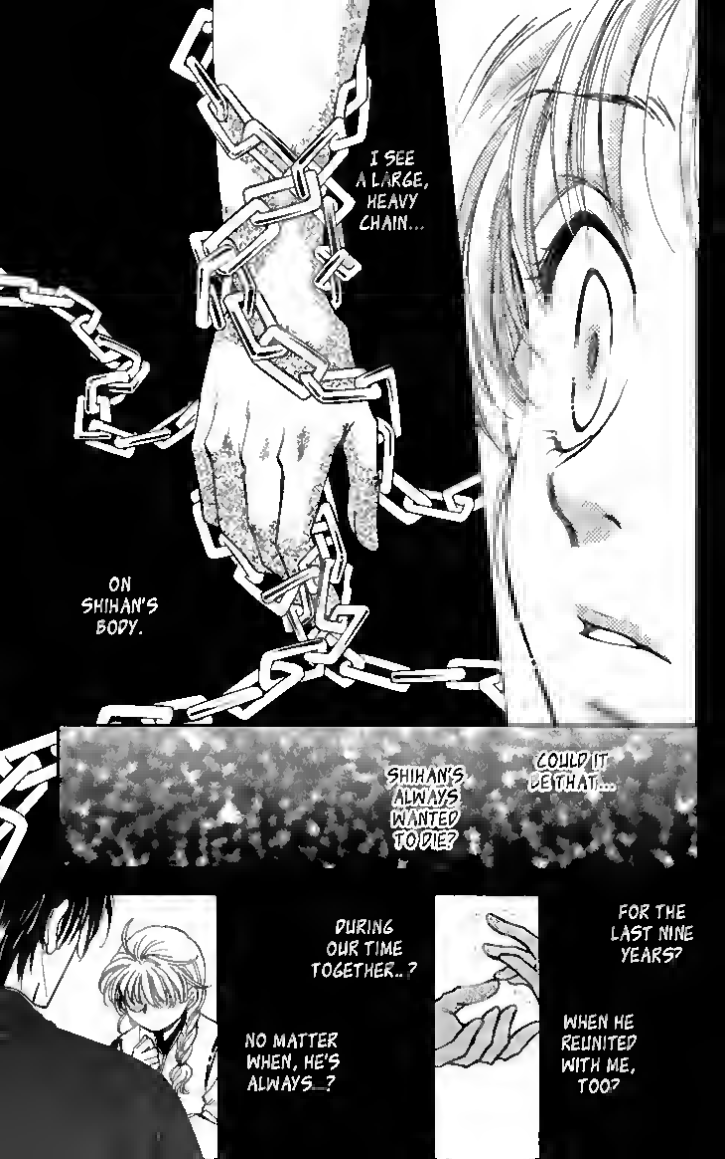
WHILE I KEEP HIM OCCUPIED YOU GUYS FIND A WAY TO LEAVE THE LITTLE PALACE!
Wobble
SHI-HAN...
YOU WANNA TAKE ME ON?
ARE YOU JOKING?
COULD IT BE THAT YOU FORGOT?
WHO THE ONE WAS WHO TOLD YOU ALL THE INFORMA-TION?
I WAS THE ONE WHO TOLD YOU...
ABOUT THE POWER OF THE FIVE-COLORED STRING AND HOW TO USE IT, RIGHT?
YOU DIDN'T TELL ME THERE WERE SACRIFICES NEEDED THOUGH...
Hm
IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR NOT KNOWING ABOUT IT
WHAT?!
YOU'RE RIGHT
I ACTUALLY DON'T KNOW ANYTHING
NOT THE SIZE OF THE DOUBLE EDGED SWORD CALLED 'DESIRE'
NOR IN WHICH DIRECTION THIS EDGE IS FACED


IN THE END, I SACRIFICED A LOT...
LOSING YAE IN-CLUDED.
THE ONLY REASON WHY I'VE BEEN LIVING IN GUILT IS TO WAIT FOR THIS MOMENT!
Dvip

THE MOMENT...
to destroy you!

AKEO'S WILLING TO GIVE UP HIS LIFE...
IN ORDER TO DESTROY THE COCOON
YOU HAVE A PLAN TO DEFEAT ME?
I WON'T KNOW UNLESS I TRY.
NO...
YOU. CAN'T...
COULD IT BE...
YOU WANT TO DIE...?

AKEO?!
AKEO-SAN?!
Turns
FORGIVE ME
THAT'S WHAT I'M THINKING.


I SEE A LARGE, HEAVY CHAIN...
ON SHIHAN'S BODY.
COULD IT BE THAT...
SHIHAN'S ALWAYS WANTED TO DIE?
FOR THE LAST NINE YEARS?
WHEN HE REUNITED WITH ME, TOO?
DURING OUR TIME TOGETHER..?
NO MATTER WHEN, HE'S ALWAYS...?

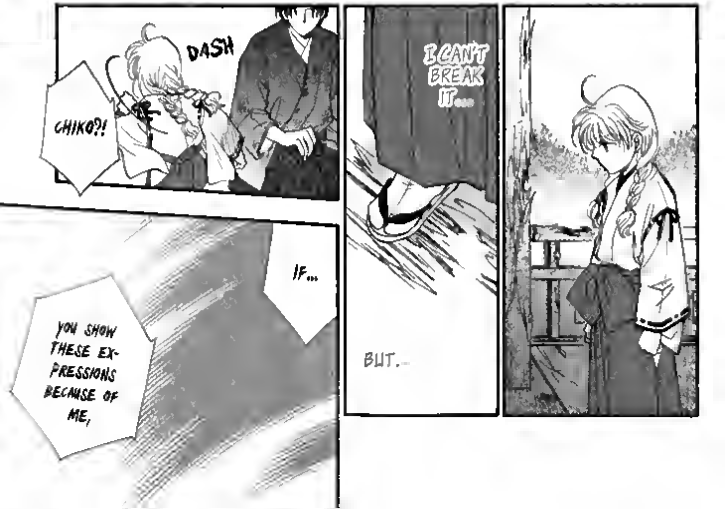
SLAP!
PLEASE
She slapped him?

DON'T SMILE LIKE THAT!!!
"THE PURPOSE OF LIVING IS TO WAIT FOR DEATH."
WHEN YOU SAID THAT,
WHAT DID YOU WANT THE PEOPLE WHO CARE FOR YOU TO DO?!
ISORA, TSUNA,
YAE AND I...
WILL BE VERY SAD!

COULD IT BE THAT I...
CAN'T BE THE REASON SHIHAN WANTS TO CONTINUE TO LIVE?

THIS IS HOPELESS...

ON MY OWN,
I CAN'T BREAK SHIHAN'S CHAIN.
Transcendence
IF IT WERE YAE,
SHE'D DEFINITELY BE ABLE TO PERSUADE HIM.
HE'S COMPLETELY FROZEN.
EVEN WHEN I ACT LIKE A SPOILED CHILD, THE CHAIN WON'T BREAK.


DASH
CHIKO?!
I CAN'T BREAK IT...
BUT...
IF...
YOU SHOW THESE EXPRESSIONS BECAUSE OF ME,

IDIOT!
CHIKO?!
ISN'T THAT DECISION A LITTLE TOO RASH?
THEN I'LL RETURN TO THE COCOON!!!
AH!
SFX: BAM
I'LL GIVE UP!
YEP! SINCE NO ONE CAN DEFEAT YOU,
YOU FINALLY DECIDED?
Smirk

SO...
YOU CAN TAKE ME AWAY.
WHAT?
I'M WILLING TO BE PART OF YOU!
SO YOU SHOULD TAKE ME AWAY QUICKLY!
HURRY UP!
FROM THE BEGINNING ..
BUT YOU NEVER MOVE
YOU ATTACKED US THROUGH THIS COCOON-SHAPED OBJECT.
NO—

I SHOULD SAY, YOU CAN'T MOVE, RIGHT?
YOU CAN'T GET OUT OF THIS CAGE.
I KNOW!
COULD IT BE...
AM I RIGHT?

WHAT?!
IF THAT'S TRUE THEN THE REASON BEHIND HOW IT CAN REFLECT THE KOUREN ATTACK—
AND HOW CHIKO, WHO POSSESSES THE SHIRO-GANE CAN ESCAPE THE CO-COON—
CAN BE EXPLAINED
WHAT... WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
THE SILK STRINGS THAT ARE WRAPPED AROUND HIM...
ARE THE REMAINS OF THE FIVE-COLORED STRING?
NINE YEARS AGO, WHEN AKEO AND THE OTHERS—
WERE USED TO UNSEAL THE FIVE-COLORED STRING,
THEY DIDN'T COMPLETELY UNSEAL IT
SO WHAT?
IN THE END IF YOU GUYS CAN'T DEFEAT ME AND CROSS THE BRIDGE, YOU'LL ALL DIE

THE WORLD HAD A COMMON RULE:
"IF YOU CAN'T CROSS THE 'BRIDGE' YOU SHOULD JUST CROSS OVER TO THE 'CENTER'!"
SFX: SCREECH SCREECH

WHOOSH
WHOOSH
IS THAT HOW IT IS?
WHAT?
SFX: WHOOSH
SINCE THE BEGINNING...
SHIRO-GANE!
WHOOSH

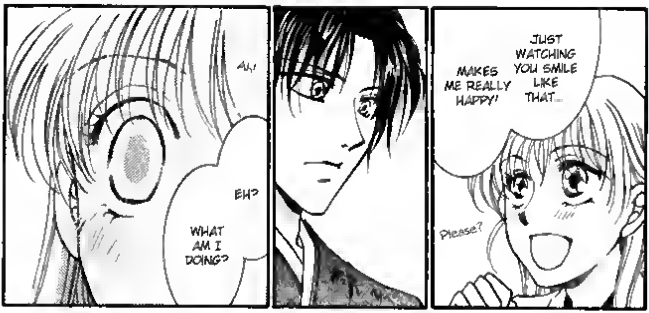
THIS 'CENTER' YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT...

IF YOU WERE GONNA DO SOMETHING YOU SHOULD'VE TOLD US FIRST!
BUT AYA, YOU LOOK FINE
You were swimming in kimono?
I HAD DIFFERENT TRAININGS FROM YOU GUYS.

IS ACTUALLY THE CENTER OF THE POND?!
Tsuu...
You stupid brat
Wheeze
Bwaha
Haa

HA HA HA!
HA...
WHY DOES IT MATTER?
DIDN'T WE SAVE A LOT OF TIME LIKE THIS?
DRIPS
REALLY!!
CHIKO ALWAYS ENDS UP DOING SOMETHING UNEXPECTED!
SHIHAN IS...
HA HA HA!
LAUGHING...

IT'S NOT A SMILE OF SADNESS...
OR A FORCED SMILE,
BUT A SMILE OF HAPPINESS...
YOU NEED THIS KIND OF SMILE!
HUH?
POINTS
THIS IS IT!!!


AH!
EH?
WHAT AM I DOING?
JUST WATCHING YOU SMILE LIKE THAT...
MAKES ME REALLY HAPPY!
Please?

HUH?
WHY DO I SUDDENLY FEEL...
Blush
SO EMBAR-RASSED?
YOU...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO ACCEPT MY REQUEST...

Sepa rates
ALL RIGHT! YOU GUYS CAN MAKE UP ONCE WE LEAVE THE LITTLE PALACE!

IF YOU GUYS DON'T HURRY UP, WE'LL BE DOOMED!
Drag
Drag

I...
FOR HER.
ACTUALLY
HAVE ALWAYS

I SEE THE EXIT!
THIS IS GREAT!
WE MADE IT!
Creak
AH!
RUNS
RING
RING
RING
THE CURSE OF ANNIHILATION IS ALMOST COMPLETE
This was really dangerous!
WE'LL DEAL WITH THE COCOON LATER.
FIRST WE HAVE TO...
AND ALSO THE HEADS

OH, RIGHT!
Turns
THIS IS...
YAE'S BELL...
I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL SHIHAN-
THE ONLY REASON...
WAS BECAUSE YOU WERE THE CHILD THAT YAE GAVE HER LIFE FOR TO SAVE.
I FELT IT'S MY DUTY TO PROTECT YOU...
THROB

NO MATTER AFTER THE WHEN LITTLE FA-LACE INCI-DENT,AFTER RETURNING TO YOUR FATHER.
OR BEFORE YOU CAME FOR CALLIGRAPHY CLASSES IT WAS THE SAME
WHAT?
BECAUSE OF MY MISTAKE AND THE CHILD WHO WAS INVOLVED,
I DECIDED TO PROTECT HER IN ORDER FOR HER TO PEACEFULLY GROW UP.
OF COURSE...
IT'S FOR THAT REASON...
Shake
I SECRETLY USED THE KOUREN AND SHIKIGAMI.
IN ORDER FOR YOU NOT TO BE INVOLVED WITH THE MAIN HOUSE,
SO THAT MEANS SHIHAN HAS ALWAYS...?
I THOUGHT OF BREAKING THE BOND BETWEEN US
IN MY HEART, I KNOW I COULDN'T KEEP YOU BY MY SIDE
BUT...
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU SHOWED UP IN FRONT OF ME

I...
WAS SAVED
HOWEVER,
SINCE YOU'RE SO STRONG AND LIVELY

I DON'T KNOW SINCE WHEN YOU BECAME MY REASON TO LIVE ON.
Reach
WHAT?
Clench
WHAAT?!

FWOOSH
AH!
BANG
WOAH!
HUH?
WHAT'S GOING ON?
SHI-HAN.
SHI-
SLASH

I WON'T LET YOU...
AAH! AKEO!!!
AKEO-SAN?!
WHAT JUST HAPPEN-ED?
WHAT...?
SFX. MENACING
SFX. SLIDE

How dare you guys fool me...
I won't let you escape...!
!!!
HE ESCAPED THE FINE-COLORED STRING CAGE?!
HE REALLY IS POWERFUL!
RUN
Woosh

THE CURSE OF ANNIHI-LATION
HAS BEGUN!
WHAT?!
WE CAN'T GO THROUGH?
BANG
BANG

NO! SHIHAN!
I HAVE TO SAVE SHIHAN!
I DON'T WANT THIS...
WHY?

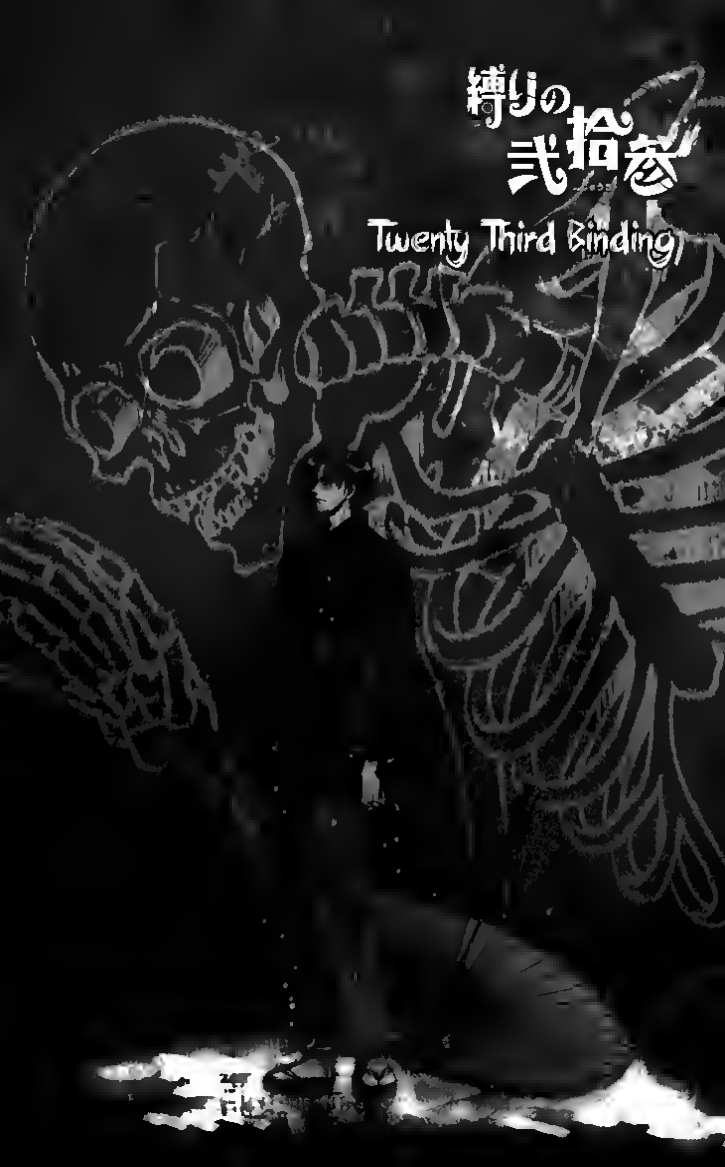
Creak
AAH!
FWOOSH
SHI-HAN..

THIS CAN'T BE!
NO!!!
BANG
BANG
NO!!!
Bang
BANG
THE DOOR IS CLOSING!
CREAK
ERK
LET ME IN!!!
I HAVE TO GO... AND SAVE SHIHAN!
Foosh
SHI-
I HAVE TO SAVE SHIHAN! HURRY AND SAVE HIM!

YAE
Float
SAN...
Slip
SIS-
SISTER?

NO WAY...
THIS CAN'T BE TRUE...
BANG
CHIKO! HURRY AND LEAVE!
Whoosh
BANG

SHI-
SHI-HAN!!!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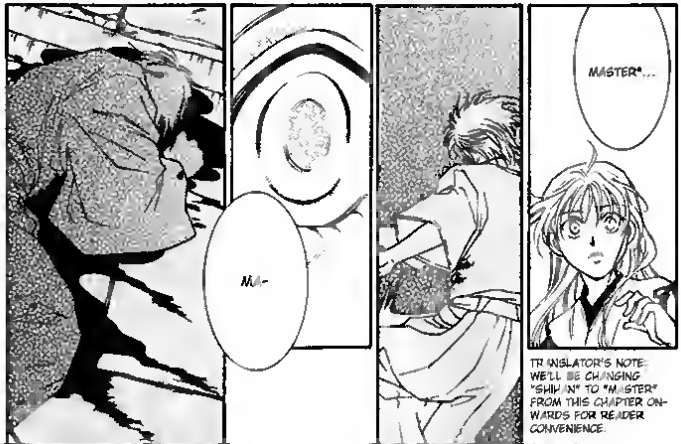
Whoosh
?
WHAT'S WRONG, CHIKO?
AH? HM...
IT FEELS LIKE SOMEONE'S WATCHING US...

IT FEELS REALLY FAMILIAR, VERY WARM...
AND VERY GENTLE
NO, NO!
IT'S NOT THAT DISGUSTING KIND OF PEEPING
WHAT? IS IT A STALKER?
WHOM DOES IT BELONG TO?
THAT RED STRING
SOMETIMES,
WHEN THAT BINDING THREAD CATCHES MY EYE
I CAN'T HELP BUT FANTASIZE
IF ONLY
WOULDN'T IT BE NICE IF THAT WAS MY RED STRING OF FATE

Crackle
THE CURSE OF ANNIHILATION...
HAS ALREADY BEGUN...



TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: WE'LL BE CHANGING "SHIHAN" TO "MASTER" FROM THIS CHAPTER ONWARDS FOR READER CONVENIENCE.

JOLT
JOLT
HURRY AND OPEN THE DOOR-
I'M GOING IN TO SAVE MASTER!
Tap
CHIKO!
Slide
YAAA!!!
BUT WHAT ABOUT MASTER?!
STOP IT!
AFTER THE CURSE HAS INITIATED, WE CAN'T STOP IT!
THAT'S WHAT MISS NADESHIKO SAID BEFORE

SHIRO...
SHIRO-GANE!
SFX. RAISES
HOW CAN THIS BE...?
LET ME MEET WITH MASTER!
BUST THIS GATE OPEN!
SFX. STRETCH
SHIRO-GANE.

COULD IT BE...
IT DISAPPE..IR-ED WITH Y.E-SAN?
THE STRING DIDN'T COME OUT...

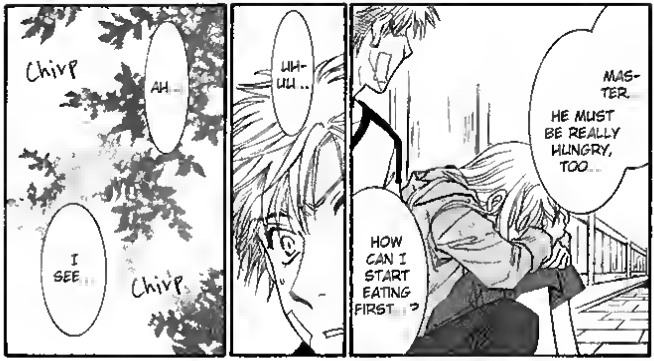
YOU CAN'T GET TOO CLOSE, CHIKO!
Pull
HOW CAN THIS BE...?

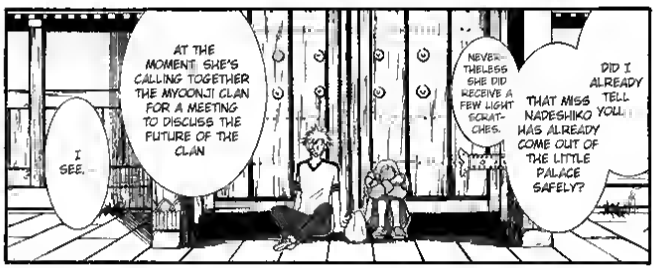
PLEASE, YOU GUYS!
HURRY UP AND SAVE MASTER!
PLEASE!
I'M BEGGING YOU!
BUT...
IF I DON'T HURRY UP AND SAVE MASTER, HE'LL DIE!

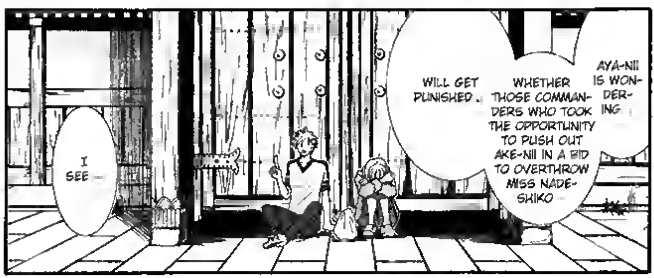
PLEASE SAVE MASTER!
HURRY AND SAVE MASTER!
I'M BEGGING YOU! HURRY AND OPEN THE GATE!
I'M BEGGING YOU...
SAVE MASTER!!!

Chirp
Chirp

HERE!
EAT THIS!
PLEASE EAT SOMETHING.
YOU'VE BEEN SITTING HERE FOR THREE DAYS
NO MATTER HOW LONG YOU STAY HERE,
THE SITUATION WON'T CHANGE...
Sigh...
SO YOU SHOULD AT LEAST EAT A LITTLE.


Chirp
AH...
I SEE...
Chirp
UHH-UU...
HOW CAN I START EATING FIRST...?
MASTER...
HE MUST BE REALLY HUNGRY, TOO...


I SEE...
AT THE MOMENT, SHE'S CALLING TOGETHER THE MYOONJI CLAN FOR A MEETING TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF THE CLAN
NEVERTHELESS SHE DID RECEIVE A FEW LIGHT SCRATCHES.
THAT MISS NADESHIKO HAS ALREADY COME OUT OF THE LITTLE PALACE SAFELY?
DID I ALREADY TELL YOU...


I SEE...
WILL GET PUNISHED.
WHETHER THOSE COMMANDERS WHO TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO PUSH OUT AKE-NII IN A BID TO OVERTHROW MISS NADESHIKO
AYA-NII IS WONDERING...

THE "GOSHIKI NO ITO" FORM A CONTRACT WHILE FUSING WITH THE USER'S SOUL...
YOU'RE ACTUALLY ABLE TO REDEEM WHAT YOU SACRIFICED NOW. JUST WHAT'S GOING ON...?
ACTUALLY, I'M NOT THE USER...
NOT TURNING INTO A CHILD ANYMORE.
Trembling
YOU'RE...

HUH?

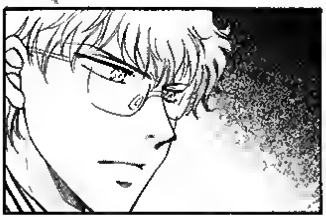
EVEN THOUGH I THOUGHT THAT I WAS USING MY OWN POWER TO CONTROL 'SHIROGANE'...
FROM THE VERY START...
I THINK...
'SHIROGANE' HAS ALWAYS BELONGED TO YAE-SAN...

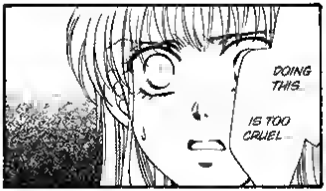
I'M NOTHING BUT A USE-LESS KID...
I WAS JUST USED AS YAE-SAN'S PHYSICAL BODY
IN THE END...
GRAB
YOUR HAND'S BLEED-ING ..
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!
HEY!
Smack
SCRATCH

LEAVE ME ALONE!
YANK
I ALSO DON'T WANT TO SEE THIS HAPPEN TO AKE-NII,
BUT THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT!
INITIALLY, WE ENTERED THE SMALL PALACE THROUGH THE TEAR IN THE WORLD'S BINDING,
BUT WE CAN'T GO THROUGH THAT PLACE ANYMORE
THE SECRET PASSAGE THAT THE HEAD ESCAPED FROM WAS ALSO DESTROYED
FOR THE LAST THREE DAYS WE'VE TRIED EVERYTHING WE COULD TO GET THERE
MORE-OVER,
JUDGING FROM AKE-NII'S WOUNDS BACK THEN, HE'S PROBABLY...

SMACK
PWAH!
AL-REA-DY
PLOP
HE'S STILL ALIVE!
MASTER IS STILL INSIDE!
DON'T SAY SUCH TERRIBLE THINGS!
WHY DID YOU THROW THAT AT ME?!
Also don't throw food okay?!
I DIDN'T THROW IT AT YOU!
YOU DEFINITELY JUST DID!
DEFINI-TELY NOT!
THE PERSON WHO THREW THAT AT YOU IS...
SCRATCH

DONG!
YOU'RE STILL HERE.
Step
AH... AS EXPECTED...
OKAY.
YOU MAY BEGIN!
Wave
AYA-NII...
WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?
THE MYOONJI CLAN ELDERS' MEETING
RESULTED IN THE DECISION TO MAKE THE AREA AROUND THE SMALL PALACE OFF LIMITS
THIS PLACE WILL BE SEALED OFF TOMORROW.
WHAT'S HAPPENING?




DOING THIS...
IS TOO CRUEL...

JUMP
WAIT!
ARE ALL OF YOU GIVING UP ON SAVING MASTER?
SAY IT!

IT'S ONLY BEEN THREE DAYS
YET YOU GUYS HAVE ALREADY ACCEPTED THIS AS A REALITY—?
MOVING ON WITH THEIR LIVES
EVERYONE IS ACTING LIKE NOTHING HAPENED...
WHAT IF
HE'S STILL ALIVE—?

BEING ABLE TO ACCEPT THIS IS ONE THING...
BUT WE MUST FACE REALITY...

RIGHT NOW, THE CURSE OF ANNIHILATION HAS ALREADY BEGUN
SO EVERYTHING IN THE SMALL PALACE SHOULD'VE BEEN DESTROYED ALREADY.
REGARDLESS IF IT'S BUILDINGS OR TREES, EVERYTHING
SAME GOES FOR HUMANS, TOO.
T-THIS KIND OF SITUATION...
BEFORE OPENING THE GATE, NO ONE CAN KNOW FOR SURE!
UNLESS I GET TO WITNESS IT FOR MYSELF, I'LL NEVER...
HOWEVER!
THAT GUY IS ALSO IN THERE!

WITH JUST OUR "GOSHIKI NO ITO", IT'S USE-LESS...
EVEN IF WE GET THE HEAD TO COME, THERE'S NO WAY FOR US TO SUBDUE IT.
BESIDES, THIS MONSTER HAS ALREADY APPEARED AT THE GATE...

FREEZE

UNLESS YOU HAVE A WAY TO DEFEAT IT?
AS 'THE CURRENT'...
YOU...

I'M REALLY AWED BY HOW YOU CAN JUST COLDLY STAND BY AND WATCH, AYA.
EVEN AT THIS TIME...
SCRATCH
I WON'T RELY ON YOU OR TSUNA ANYMORE!
FORGET IT!
LOOKS LIKE SHE'S GOING STRAIGHT TO THE HEAD, HUH...
The head definitely won't meet with her!
EVEN IF IT'S JUST ME...
WHOOSH
I'LL DEFINITELY THINK OF A WAY!

AT FIRST, I THOUGHT SHE'D BE CRYING EVERY-DAY AND UNABLE TO DO ANY-THING
TRUTH-FULLY, I'M ALSO A WRECK.
I'M HAVING MIXED FEELINGS
AS FOR ISORA,
SHE LOCKED HERSELF UP IN HER ROOM AND ISN'T COMING OUT.
SO WE SHOULD SAY THAT CHIKO'S PRETTY STRONG...
OR RESO-LUTE
THAT'S RIGHT...
SHE TRULY IS A DANGEROUS PERSON!
HUH?
YEAH...
THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT...

IT WAS WHEN I LEFT THE SMALL PALACE...
BECAUSE OF THE MASSIVE NUMBER OF EVIL SPIRITS...
SO IT'S ACTUALLY NO BIG DEAL
HOWEVER...
EVEN THOUGH I SAID I GOT HURT...
ALTHOUGH, BACK TO WHAT I WAS SAYING, CLEANING UP ALL THIS IS THE MOST TROUBLESOME.
MISS NADESHIKO!
YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT
Flick
THE MATTER OF SEALING OFF THE SMALL PALACE?

THAT THING...
IS TAINTED AND FULL OF MALICE
IF WE ALLOW IT TO
IT WON'T AT THAT POINT JUST BE THE PROBLEM OF THE MYOONJI CLAN ANYMORE
WHAT IF MASTER IS STILL ALIVE?!
WHAT IF YAE-SAN HAS ALREADY FOUND A WAY TO SAVE HIM?!
I'M THE HEAD OF THE MYOONJI CLAN.
I ABSOLUTELY CANNOT LET THE MASTER OF THE COCOON COME OUT OF THE SMALL PALACE.
SO I ABSOLUTELY CANNOT MAKE A BAD DECISION BASED ON SOMETHING LIKE HOPE
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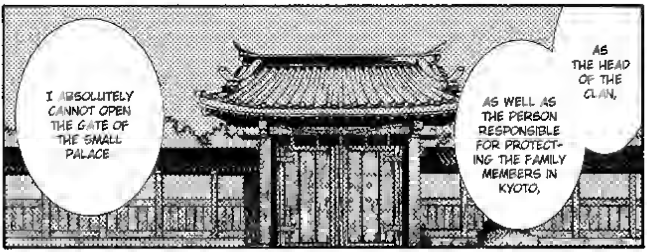
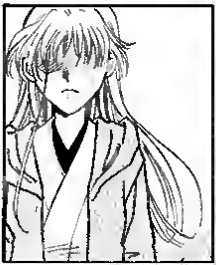

I ABSOLUTELY CANNOT OPEN THE GATE OF THE SMALL PALACE
AS THE HEAD OF THE CLAN,
AS WELL AS THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTING THE FAMILY MEMBERS IN KYOTO,

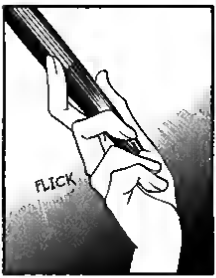
EVEN IF

THERE ARE SURVIVORS INSIDE...

I WON'T FORCE YOU INTO ACCEPTING MY FINAL DECISION...
IT'S JUST THAT ADULTS HAVE TIMES WHERE THEY NEED TO CAST ASIDE THEIR EMOTIONS AND STAND RESOLUTE
ADULTS...?
WHAT IS 'BEING AN ADULT'?
ADULT?

BEING ABLE TO LOVE SOME-ONE
IS ALREADY A MIRACLE ON ITS OWN
TO UNWAVER-INGLY SACRIFICE PRECIOUS FEELINGS...
IS IT TO FACE SITUATIONS THAT ARE HARD TO ACCEPT
AND FORCE YOURSELF TO ACCEPT THEM?
FORGETTING EVERYTHING THAT HAS HAPPENED...
AND MOVE ON?
TO ACT LIKE NOTHING HAS HAP-PENED...
SCRATCH
JUST LIKE HOW A WOUND WOULD NATURALLY HEAL ITSELF...
MISS NADE-SHIKO
HAVE YOU EVER TRULY LOVED SOMEONE BEFORE?
Stand!
YOU CALL YOUR-SELF AN ADULT




FLICK

I NEVER WANT TO BECOME ONE!!!
IF YOU'RE SAYING THAT...
BEING AN ADULT MEANS TO HELPLESSLY WATCH MASTER, THE PERSON I LOVE THE MOST, DIE
THEN...

RISE
FREEZE
I CAN'T MOVE MY BODY
AH...
ARE YOU REALLY CERTAIN THAT... BIG BROTHER IS STILL ALIVE?
OF... OF COURSE... OR IS IT THAT...
RAISES HAND
Rise
LEADER! YOU'RE...!
AYA-NII...?

IF YOU DON'T FORCE YOURSELF TO BELIEVE IT THIS WAY, YOU'LL BREAK DOWN?
THUMP
WHAT YOU'RE FEELING...
ISN'T 'ANGER'.
BE...
CAU-SE...

ALL OF THIS HAPPENED...
BECAUSE OF ME.
IT WAS IN ORDER TO PROTECT ME THAT MASTER MET WITH MISFORTUNE
MASTER ORIGINALLY WANTED TO KEEP HIS DISTANCE.
IT WAS ME WHO KEPT PESTERING HIM.
THIS WOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED IF I HADN'T COME TO THE MYOONJI CLAN'S HEAD-QUARTER...
NO... IT'S NOT JUST THAT...
FROM EVEN BEFORE THAT...
EARLIER...
NINE YEARS AGO...
IT WOULD'VE BEEN BETTER IF I HAD DIED

THAT WAY, YAE-SAN ALSO WOULDN'T HAVE-
GRAB
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SAYING?!
IF YOU'RE SAYING THESE KINDS OF THINGS..
WOULDN'T AKE-NII'S SACRIFICING HIS LIFE TO PROTECT YOU HAVE BEEN FOR NOTHING?
GRIP

AT THAT TIME, DIDN'T YOU TELL AKE-NII "DON'T DIE!"?!
BUT...
IN THE END, DOES IT EVEN MAKE SENSE THAT YOU'RE GOING BACK ON YOUR WORD NOW AND HURTING YOURSELF?!
BUT...
I WAS SAVED
SINCE YOU'RE SO STRONG AND LIVELY
MASTER!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT CHIKO?
CHIKO?!
COLLAPSE
SLUMP
HOT
WHAT?
GRUMBLE
I'M REALLY HUNGRY...
GRUMBLE
BIG!

Crunch
Crunch
Munch
WHY DOES IT TASTE LIKE METAL?
Bleah
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T BANDAGE YOUR WOUNDS!
Pull
JEEZ!
Munch
Munch
...
WHY ...
HUH?
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WHY DO I FEEL HUNGRY...?
BECAUSE YOU HAVEN'T EATEN OR DRANK ANYTHING FOR THREE DAYS.
MAS-TER'S GONE.
AND HERE I AM, STILL LIVING NORMALLY...
THIS IS SO INFURIATING,
SO DISCOURA-GING...
AND SO UNSETTLING...
THE WOUNDS ON MY HANDS WILL ALSO EVENTUALLY HEAL
EVEN IF MASTER IS GONE...
THE NIGHT WILL STILL COME, THE SUN WILL STILL RISE...
OTHER PEOPLE WILL STILL CONTINUE ON LIVING

"WHAT YOU'RE FEELING ISN'T ANGER."
I...
I SAW IT...
THE "RED THREAD"...
IT SNAPPED...
!
"THE KOSHIN NO ITO FORM A CONTRACT WHILE FUSING WITH THE USER'S SOUL."

WAS THE 'RED THREAD'
SO THAT RED STRING
THE RED STRING THAT ALWAYS PROTECTED ME
THAT RED STRING...
HAS BEEN CUT.

I'M SO SAD!
UU...
UWAAAH!!!
AA
H!!!
AA
AH!

SHE FINALLY PASSED OUT...
THIS KID SURE LIKES TO SCARE OTHER PEOPLE
Weird why am I letting her use my lap to sleep on?
Zz
Zz
Reach
SHE'S A WOMAN, AFTER ALL
WHAT-EVER
WOMAN
THUMP

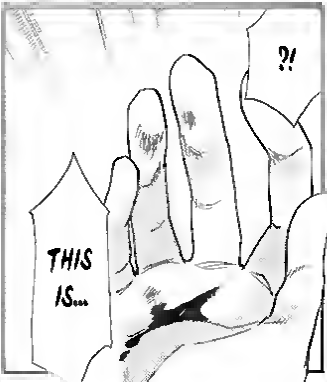
SHOCK
Wah!
WHEN YOU SUDDENLY BUTTED IN JUST NOW, I THOUGHT THAT YOU'D HAVE MESSED EVERYTHING UP!
Sigh...
Seriously...
Deliberate
WHAT AM I DOING, AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!
BECOMING AWARE OF THE FACT THAT SHE'S A WOMAN?!
Thump
Thump
Thump
Thud
Thud
Thud
AH...?
WE FINALLY GOT THE LEADER TO ACT AS THE VILLAIN...
WITH GREAT DIFFICULTY...
...eally.
Deliberate
SHE'S A STRONG CHILD...
SO SHE FEELS RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS, WITHOUT BLAMING OTHERS FOR IT.
THIS IS WHAT I MEANT!
BECAUSE CHIKO INCESSANTLY ENCOUNTERS MAJOR ATTACKS.
SHE DOESN'T HAVE THE TIME TO MENTALLY ADJUST.
IF WE DON'T WEAR HER OUT NOW
SHE MAY VERY WELL OVERLOAD HERSELF WITH BURDEN

Smile
IT ALSO COUNTS AS ONE OF YOUR MERITS
Sigh
YOU REALLY CAN'T READ BETWEEN THE LINES
SO... YOU GUYS WERE PURPOSELY FORCING EVERY-THING ON HER...?
BUT...
Really
Really?
Hm?
Huh?
WHEN YOU'RE UPSET, IT'S BETTER TO CRY IT ALL OUT...
OR ELSE...
Flap
YOU'LL SLOWLY FORGET HOW TO CRY...

I MUST CONSIDER ALL POSSIBLE OUTCOMES IN THESE CIRCUM-STANCES
MISS NADE-SHIKO...
DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE THAT YOUR BROTHER HAS ALREADY DIED?
REGARD-LESS OF HOLDING ONTO A THREAD OF HOPE...
OR IF THE MOST TRAGIC OUTCOME HAPPENS...

DRIP
AFTER THE SEALING CEREMONY FINISHES, WE WON'T NEED TO DO THIS,
SO WE ONLY NEED TO WORK HARD UNTIL TOMORROW
HUH?

WHAT'RE YOU RAMBLING ABOUT? LOOK AT HOW BEAUTIFUL AND CLEAR THE NIGHT SKY IS!
Ahaha!
IS IT RAINING?


?!
THIS IS...

SERI-OUSLY...
I DIDN'T THINK THE SMALL PALA-CE'S SECURITY GUARDS WOULD HAVE TO DO A NIGHT SHIFT THIS REALLY SUCKS.

?!
DRIP
T-THAT'S... A SECURITY GUARD...
JUST WHAT'S GOING ON?!
Creak
!!!
STEP

YOU...
YOU...
ARE...
SLITHER

SFX: BOOM

OFF RECORDING

こんにちは！　縛り屋６巻お付き合いありがとうございました！　えーと―何人か怪境なキャラがいたりして、モロモロ命生臭くなってきてますが大丈夫ですか？　ついてきてくださってますか？　おポンチなコメディも好きですが、ドロドロ話も好きなタケウチです。

縛りの弐拾●弥衣さんが怪境。ぶっちゃけ奥の宮喪失の原因は師範のような気がしますが―。

縛りの弐拾壱●ようやく出てきた黒幕くん。前半、ネコ被ってる彼ですが―なまじっか旺緒さんと同じ顔なので、師範が「ピュアぶりっ子」してるみたいで、描きながら薄らサムかったです。当初の予定より絢くんが頑張ってくれましたが、師範にはあまり過じなかったようです。このような現象を「のれんに腕押し」と言います。

縛りの弐拾弐●師範が怪境。私は狐属性の少年が好きなようです。死亡フラグとしては定番の「奥の宮から出たら全てを話す」とか「もうすぐ子供が生まれるんだ…」とか師範に言わせたかったのですが、ページが足りませんでした。後者はそもそもありえないし（笑）

縛りの弐拾参●奥の宮後処理話（笑）。チコさんはなまじっか強い子なので、落ち込む話は描きにくかったです。てゆうか、コレ描いてる最辺、妙に涙もろかったり、やたらと感傷的になったり、私自身がちょっと情緒不安定でした。主人公の心情に引っ張られるんだなあ…うぐぐ。絢さんが作ったおにぎりの具を何にしようかと悩み、友達に「珍しくてインパクトがあるんだけど食べれなくはない」具は何かとさんざ悩んだ挙句、結局一言も触れませんでした　お話割りはムダの連続です（笑）。

というワケで。内容的にテンション高め６巻。雪崩れる如くの展開に「もうすぐ終わるんですか？」との質問をいくつかいたたきました。物語的にはようやく折り返しです。終盤に向けて進みますが、後はミナサマの応援次第でございます～（笑）
もちろん、最後まで読んでいただけるように、頑張って盛り上げてゆきますぞ！

さぁて次回の縛り屋さんは―最後に出てきた師範ぽい人は誰？
（てゆか　）糸が切れて３本になっちゃった　五色の糸　の今後はどこへ？
モリモリ元気なチコは戻ってくるのか!?の３本です。
　　最です。他にもいろいろあると思います。
ぜひぜひまた続んでやってくださいませ!!

世の中が大変な（と言われてますが）時こそ、
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